

NYSA Baseball

Coaches Critical Information

1. NYSA is an ALL Volunteer Association and Everyone is needed to help us run properly.
2. Review NYSA Code of Conduct Policy – Coaching is a privilege not a right so do your best. Focus on the kids and their experience. Don't argue with umpires and parents. Keep it fun and professional.
3. Park Philosophy – Focus is on player development, building good moral character and leadership and then winning.
4. League Communication – Website: www.nysasports.com and Group Text Messages
 - a. Rainout notification - No news is good news – I will send out text blast msg as soon as make decision to cancel, which could be game time. Will only call if canceling and will post on Website.
 - b. Complaints – Coaches to try and resolve first, then refer to commissioner.
5. Background Check forms required on all coaches, assistant coaches and team moms.(download from website). Must be completed and turned in immediately to front office.
6. Need Team Sponsors for every team. Form is on website. Team shirts or trophies provided with sponsorship.
7. Coach Certification – Thursday, Feb. 22 @NYSA Gym, 5:45pm-10pm. Cost \$20.00 (Mandatory) – invite all assistant coaches and interested dad's.
8. NYSA Baseball Skills Clinic at NHS – Feb 24th at 9am to 12pm=Free, 1-3pm Pitchers&CatchersHitting/-/\$20/player
9. Freeze forms (website) – May freeze up to 3 players (must freeze own child)
10. League Rules overview: Park Rules and GCYB rules are on the website.
 - a. Bat rules – All bats must have USSSA/BBCOR Stamp. Alloy bats are allowed. No Drop -3 requirement for 15U anymore.
 - b. Player/Coach ejections – suspended for that game and the next game as well.
 - c. Rec players not permitted to play travel ball simultaneously-must wait till end of season. Encourage to tryout for Select team. Players and coaches violating this rule may be suspended indefinitely.
11. End of Season Tourney- Double elimination for all divisions, determines League Champion
12. Trophies are NOT PROVIDED BY NYSA. Medals for 1st & 2nd from tournament.
13. Park ALLSTARS - One Allstar game at end of season. American League vs. National League; coaches are 1st & 2nd place from EOS tourney. The Allstar form will be placed on website halfway through season.
14. Select Teams – Navarre Ravens - will practice Fridays and play on select Saturdays vs. Interleague teams.
15. Field Set-up: Both teams are responsible to setting up the field prior to play. Coaches should arrive and begin field preparation at least 20 minutes prior to start of game. Lay down chalk lines, rake and smooth in-field and batters box 3x5 or 4x6. Pitchers Mound Set-up: Both teams are responsible for maintaining the pitchers mound has sufficient clay and is smoothed prior to start of game.
16. Baseball Gear sign-out & sign-in: There will be a sign-out sheet. Must be returned at end of season.
17. Catchers: All catchers must wear a cup and supporter to play. Umpires are required to confirm catcher is legally equipped for game.
18. Official Score Books & Scoreboards: Home team is responsible to keeping the official score book and having umpire certify after game. These are to be turned in to the concession stand by home team coach after game. Must write team names and game date & time CLEARLY. Score Board Operation: Visiting team is responsible for operating the score board. Visiting coach must accompany volunteer to concession stand and return the controller.
19. Concession Stand & Trash Duty: Every team will be assigned dates & times to run the concession stand and perform trash duty. Usually need 4 volunteers to run concession stand properly and at least 2-4 for trash duty. PENALTY for failure to work it: No postseason tournament play and No All-star selections for coach or player.